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Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

The reply filed on June 4, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The claims, as amended, are subject to "Restriction via Original Presentation." Specifically, the claims as originally presented were drawn to a repurchase agreement trading system wherein each trading terminal presents a hierarchal list of repurchase agreement opportunities, whereas the new claims are drawn to a method using an automated trading system having an obligation of a selling party proposing a pair of transactions to sell securities to a prospective buyer, at a price less than the market value of the securities. Therefore the scope of the claims has changed in such a way as to preclude examination, since claims 138-265 have been withdrawn due to the "Restriction via Original Presentation" requirement, and the original claims 1-36, as well as claims 37-137, were cancelled by applicant.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a). Examiner would like to extend the opportunity that it might be beneficial to contact the examiner before submission of the next response, for purpose of compact prosecution.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to LINDSAY M. MAGUIRE whose telephone number is (571)272-6039. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F: 7-4.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kambiz Abdi can be reached on (571) 272-670202. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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